

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Sreedhar  
Serial No. : 10/676,952 Examiner : Eric B. Kiss  
Filed : September 30, 2003 Art Unit : 2192  
For : VARIATIONAL MODELING USING EXTENSION TYPES

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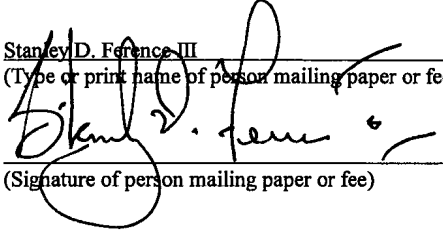
This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in the above-identified application.

1. Extension of Time
- ☒ No extension of time is needed.
- ☒ Applicant requests an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A Petition for an extension of time is enclosed.
- ☐ In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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2. **Submission Required Under 37 CFR 1.114**

- ☐ Previously submitted  
☐ Please enter the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_.  
☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_.  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_.
- ☒ Enclosed  
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☐ Other \_\_\_\_.

3. **Miscellaneous**

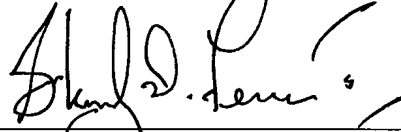
- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months.
- ☐ Other \_\_\_\_.

4. **Fees**

- ☐ Applicant encloses herewith a check for \$\_\_\_\_ to cover the RCE fee.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the **\$810** RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) to **IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510**.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to **IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510**.

Respectfully submitted,

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